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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: SENATE BILL 297

## REFERENCE:

Senate Bill 297 has recently been signed into law by the Governor and becomes effective January 1, 1984. This bill amends the Health and Safety Code Section 10063 to require the local registrar of births and deaths to notify the county welfare department and the local district Social Security office by the 15th day of each month of all persons 18 years of age and over for whom a death certificate has been registered in the previous month. Also, the local registrar must include information on all deaths contained in notification received from the State Registrar of Vital Statistics. This notification shall include at least the name, Social Security number, sex, age, birthplace, birthdate, place of residence, and date and place of death for each such decedent.

We encourage counties to use the information contained in the notification lists. The data can be used to update master files to ensure that public assistance is not provided to or on behalf of deceased individuals.

If you have any questions, please contact Dennis Ragasa of the AFDC Policy Implementation Bureau at (916)322-5330.

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